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SUBJ: MAJOR PROJECT: DEVELOPMENT OF AGRO-BASE INDUSTRIES

REF: STATE 172739

1. BANK OF AMERICA OFFICER RESPONSIBLE FOR REPORT CITED REFTEL EXPLAINED TO CONGEN KARACHI THAT IT WAS BASED ON NEWSPAPER ARTICLE AND THAT HE HAD NO FURTHER DETAILS AVAILABLE. HE DID NOTE THAT THERE WAS NO SINGLE PROJECT OR PROGRAM BUT INSTEAD A MASS OF PROJECTS IN THE AGRO INDUSTRY FIELD WHICH, IF GROUPED TOGETHER, WOULD COST MORE THAN \$1 BILLION.

2. USING APPARENTLY BROAD DEFINITION OF AGRO INDUSTRY CONTAINED IN B O A REPORT AND INFOR ALREADY AVAILABLE TO EMBASSY AND CONGEN KARACHI, IT IS POSSIBLE TO COME UP WITH \$1 BILLION INVESTMENT PACKAGE AS FOLLOWS:

FERTILIZER PLANTS (\$600 MILLION)

PULP AND PAPER MILLS BASED ON RICE

HUSKS AND SUGAR CANE BEGASSE (\$175 MILLION)

SUGAR MILLS (120 MILLION)

COTTON SPINNING MILLS (100 MILLION)

VEGETABLE GHEE MILLS (\$ 35 MILLION)

RICE MILLING (\$ 30 MILLION)

MECHANIZED FARMS AND LIVESTOCK (

OPERATIONS (VALUE UNKNOWN)

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EM MAJOR PROJECTS WITHIN THIS PROGRAM WHICH OFFER US EXPORT OPPORTUNITIES HAVE BEEN INDIVIDUALLY REPORTED TO DEPARTMENT AND USDOC. THESE INCLUDE:

MULTAN FERTILIZER PLANT EXTENSION (SEE ESPECIALLY KARACHI A-28 OF 3/28/74, MIRPUR MATHELO FERTILIZER PROJECT (KARACHI MEMCONS DETAILING TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS AND ADB DOCUMENTS), FAUJI/AGRIC FERTILIZER PROJECT (SEE ESPECIALLY AID LOAN PAPER), PAK-ABU DHABI LIVESTOCK PROJECT (KARACHI A-126 OF DEC. 12, 1974 AND SUBSEQUENT MEMCONS), INCREASE IN PAK YARN SPINNING CAPACITY (KARACHI TEXTILE MARKET STUDY, JULY 1973).

4. THESE PROJECTS ARE IN VARIOUS STAGES OF PLANNING AND EXECUTION. COMPLETION WILL TAKE AT LEAST THE FIVE-YEAR PERIOD MENTIONED IN THE BOA REPORT, IF NOT LONGER.

5. EMBASSY AND CONSTITUENT POSTS WILL BE COURSE CONTINUE TO REPORT ON THESE AND OTHER AGRO-INDUSTRY PROJECTS AS PLANS BECOME KNOWN.

6. RE REFTTEL INTEREST IN SUGAR INDUSTRY, IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT PAKISTANIS HOPE TO SUPPLY PLANNED INVESTMENT IN SUGAR MILLS FROM LOCALLY MANUFACTURED SUGAR EQUIPMENT. LUPPI

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